

## Stanhope Elmore High School

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### Course Objectives

Welcome to Vocal Music! In this class we will explore music through vocal performance. The main objective of this class is for students to experience the level of dedication that is necessary for musicians to achieve greatness. We also want to inspire young people to become life-long appreciators of music. Come along as we aspire to be excellent in all things.

### Behavior Policy

#### **Guidelines**

1. Be punctual.
2. Be prepared.
3. Be respectful.
4. No food is allowed in this classroom. No sodas, teas, or juices are allowed – you may drink as much water as you need.
5. Students will have the opportunity to use the restroom in the middle of the class block this will be the same time each day.

#### **Consequences**

1. Warning
2. Step One on Behavior Management Form
3. Step Two on Behavior Management Form and Parent Notification
4. Step Three on Behavior Management Form\*
5. Office referral

(Disciplinary Class A offenses will be handled with the step form. All other offenses will be written on an Office Referral.)

### Course Material

During this course we will cover:

- How to read music.
- The anatomy of the vocal chords and lungs.
- How to sing as an ensemble.
- An overview of music history.

### Class Supplies

Three- Ringed Binder (NO larger than 2 inches)

Highlighter (ANY color)

Notecards (Lined or Unlined)

Pencils

Chromebook and Charging Cable

### **Grading Policy**

The grading scale follows the school and county guidelines on the grading scale.  
(A 100-90, B 89-80, C 79-70, D 69-60, F 59 and below)

Each nine weeks grade will consist of:

- 60% Major Grades (Tests, Performance Grades)
- 40% Minor Grades (Daily Grades)

The final grade will be calculated in the following manner:

- 40% First nine weeks grade
- 10% Final Exam
- 40% Second nine weeks grade
- 10% Final Exam

All students will be required to attend and participate in two performances per semester. Concerts will count as test grades. Exams will be written based on the material presented in class.

### **Class Fee**

There is a \$30.00 class fee for this class. The fee will help to pay for new sound equipment, new music, piano tuning, and other supplies needed for class.

Class fees are due no later than September 29, 2023.

### **Performance Dress**

Students will be expected to wear a black shirt, black pants or skirt, and black closed toed shoes. Any jewelry should be simple and understated.